



Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC)

9:30 a.m., October 3, 2008

Pima Association of Governments

177 N. Church Ave., Transamerica Building
5th Floor Main Conference Room, Suite 501

Agenda

1. Call to Order and Introductions (5 min)

2. In-kind form

3. Approval of Minutes

Discussion/Action:

The committee will be asked to approve the EPAC minutes of Sept. 5, 2008.

4. EPAC Chair, Committees, Members and PAG Staff Reports (10 min)

Written and verbal reports from the EPAC subcommittees and task force groups will be provided at the meeting. Brief verbal updates on PAG's environmental program activities will be given as needed. EPAC members are encouraged to inform the rest of the Committee about recent and ongoing activities related to the organization they represent.

5. Regional Regulatory Matters/Agency Updates (5 min)

EPAC members may use this opportunity to discuss and/or take action on environmental regulatory issues that might be of interest to the Committee.

6. Greenhouse Gas Emissions Report (15 min)

Susanne Cotty, PAG's Air Quality Planner, will present the results of a new report quantifying greenhouse gas emissions in eastern Pima County.

7. Plastic Bag Resolution (15 min) Action

Discussion/Action:

A resolution to recommend strategies for the control of plastic bags has been prepared for EPAC consideration.

8. Green Map Project (10 minutes)

Pima County is seeking EPAC's input and participation in the creation of a "Green Map" that highlights the sustainable features of our region. Representative examples include

farmers' markets, recycling centers, alternative fuel facilities, green buildings, scenic vistas, community gardens, bicycle paths, cultural sites, and other attributes that contribute to our region's identity as a livable and sustainable community. Pima County residents of all ages would serve as green "mapmakers," nominating sites for inclusion in the Green Map. The Green Map concept began about 15 years ago, and there are now hundreds of such maps worldwide. Tedra Fox, Pima County's Sustainability Manager, will present an overview of this proposed mapping effort and ask EPAC members for their feedback and interest in making this a multi-agency, collaborative effort.

9. "Sustainable Pima County Partnership" Proposal (15 minutes)

Pima County is requesting EPAC's comments and suggestions regarding the potential for an inter-agency, cooperative approach to the development of a regionwide sustainability plan. Tedra Fox will present a draft conceptual proposal for discussion/brainstorming purposes.

10. Honeywell (25 min)

Mike McClure, from Honeywell Automation and Control Systems, will provide a review of Honeywell's renewable energy approaches. Honeywell is a member of the PAG-sponsored Southern Arizona Regional Solar Partnership and of the Clean Cities Coalition.

11. Clean Cities Anniversary

On Oct. 3, 2008, we will celebrate the 2008 National Alternative Fuel Vehicle Day Odyssey Event, joining 88 other locations across the United States. Tucson's event will kick off with Daniel Mannheim, Tucson Electric Bikes, at EPAC and culminate with a display of alternative fuel vehicles at the Foothills Mall and specialists in alternative fuels to respond to questions. This year's event will feature demonstrations on making biodiesel fuel.

12. Request for Future Agenda Items

13. Call to the Audience

14. Adjournment

NOTE: Please note that the Nov. 7 EPAC meeting will be held as a tour of the [Freeport-McMoRan Sierrita](#) Mine in Green Valley. Details regarding tour arrangements will be made available in the November EPAC agenda. For scheduling purposes plan on a three-hour tour and a bus may be available for travel from Tucson.

Pursuant to A.R.S. 38-431.02 notice is hereby given to the public and to the committee members, that the Environmental Planning Advisory Committee (EPAC) of Pima Association of Governments will have a meeting at the above stated time and location. This meeting is open to the public. The following is an agenda of the matters to be considered, discussed, and acted upon. The sequence of the agenda may be changed by order of the committee.